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ADDRESS

BEFORE THE

OXFORD COUNTY

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY,

AT ITS ANNUAL MEETING, SEPT. 1848,

BY REV. GEORGE BATES.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: In presump-

ing to address you on this happy occasion,

I shall attempt no flourish of rhetoric or the

introduction of an theme above the ordi-

nary capacity and comprehension of the

homest yeomanry of Oxford County. I shall

not take you with me from the sober reali-

ties of common life, that you may gaze up-

on the beauties and feast upon the glories

presented in the science of astronomy, or in-

dulge in describing the wonders existing in

the mighty deep. But my theme will re-

late to matters more immediately connected

with a portion of the Universe with which

we are all better acquainted than with any

other, that of the earth on which we dwell.

I have no ambition beyond the wish to in-

terest this audience with something useful,

calculated to accelerate the march of human

improvement in one of the most important

branches known to our race—that of Agri-

culture in connection with the Mechanic

Arts. In urging this theme upon your con-

sideration I am happy in the conviction that

I am in the company of the wise and the

good in all ages, and in every part of the

civilized world. Nay more—that I have

their countenance and effective co-laborers in

this great and good work. And what still

more impresses me with a humble confi-

dence in this labor, is the deep and still

growing interest which is felt and so clearly

manifested in action by this Association, in-

creasing in number and activity.

It is but the utterance of a truth saying, that it

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The following Resolved, introduced by Col. Parsons of Buckfield, was adopted.
Resolved, That no person shall be allowed a premium for any stock, unless the same has been owned in the county at least six months prior to any annual exhibition.

TUESDAY, Oct. 16. An address was delivered by Rev. GEORGE BATES of Turner. Afternoon. Met at 3 o'clock, and heard the reports of the Awarding Committees, all of which were accepted.

MEMBERS ADDED SINCE THE ANNUAL MEETING.

John Dunham, Buckfield.
Ethie Farrar, "
Thomas Chase, "
Alex'r Robinson, "
Ephraim Harlow, "
Melzer Buck, "
Tristram Warren, "
Dastine Spaulding, "
Isaac Jordan, "
Theismar Bearce, Hebron.
Alpheus Allen, "
Zebulon Bearce, Turner.
Calvin House, "
David House, "
Lovica Jennings, "
Hiram Bryant, "
Stanley Whitman, "
Luther Whitman, "
Seth Bradford, "
George W. Cushman, Woodstock.
Amos Dwinall, Rumford.
John Barrows, Jr., "
Albert D. White, Sumner.
Nelson Warren, "
Charles Andrews, Paris.

REPORTS OF THE AWARDED COMMITTEES.

ON CROPS.
The Committee on Corn, Rye, Wheat, &c., awarded.

To John Baker, for best crop of Corn, being 109 bushels, and thirty quarts per acre, \$5.00

To Joseph Staples for second best, being 107 3/4 bushels per acre, 2.00

To Noah Prince, for 3d best, being 104 bushels per acre, 1.00

To Lewis Mason, for best crop of Wheat, being 22 bushels per acre, \$8.00

To Beazell White, for second best being 21 1/2 bushels per acre, 2.00

To Beazell White, for best crop of Oats being seventy-six bushels per acre, 2.00

To Henry Rust, for best crop of Beans, being 21 1/4 bushels per acre, 2.00

To Henry Rust, for best crop of Barley, being 24 1/4 bushels per acre, 2.00

To Noah Prince, for best Seed Corn, 75

To Lewis Mason, for best Seed Wheat, 50

ELIPHALET STURTEVANT, Chairman.

ON CLOTHS.
The Committee on Cloths awarded.

To Mrs. S. J. Richards, for best piece of undressed Flannel, \$1.00

To Jamelia P. Warren, for 2d best do., a gratuity of 50

To Mrs. Wm. R. Cary, for Checked Flannel, a gratuity of 50

H. G. COLE, Chairman.

ON DOMESTIC AND FANCY ARTICLES.

Your Committee examined a variety of Fancy and Staple articles, and from them selected the following as worthy of premium, and award accordingly.

To Mrs. Polly Hensley, for best drawn Rug, \$1.00

To Martha Jane Bisbee, for second best do., 50

To Betsey S. Cushman, for best chenille Rug, 1.00

To Martha Shaw, for Braided Rug, 50

To Melanchy L. Beals, for best in the form of a tree, 25

To Mrs. John Taylor, for best Lamp Mat, 25

To Melanchy L. Beals, pair do., 25

To do. for Fancy Basket 12 1/2

To Helen M. Morrell, for Bead Purse 12 1/2

To Turner Sewing Circle Society, for Bead Purse, 12 1/2

To Zilpah W. Barker, for Watch case, 10

To Mrs. Sarah Jane Fuller, for Best Knit Shawl, 1.00

To Laodice Harlow, do 50

To Mary Sanders, for Rag Carpet, 50

To Harriet Whitehouse, for Woolen Shawl, 50

To Emily Atwood, for Card Basket, in form of Bellows, 8

To Martha Shaw, for Work-box, 1.00

To Miss Olivia Record, for Fine Drawings, 1.00

Mrs. Higgins, for a Bed-spread, has the thanks of the society; it was a beautiful article, but as she is not a resident of the County, we suppose she is not entitled to a premium.

Several beautiful Rugs and some other articles were brought in too late to be noticed.

SARAH C. LUDDEN, Chairman.

ON BILLS, STEERS, AND HEIFERS.

The Committee on Bulls, Steers, and Heifers, awarded.

To George W. Cushman, for best Bull, two years old, \$4.00

To Benjamin Richards, for second best do., 3.00

To John B. Stetson, for best one year old do., 2.00

To Zebulon Bearce, for best three year old Steers, 3.00

To Learned Swallow, for second best do., 2.00

To Ethie Farrar, for third best do., 1.00

To Josiah Hutchinson, for best two year old Steers, 2.00

Ethie Farrar, for second best do., 1.00

Nelson Warren, for best one year old Steers, 1.00

To A. G. Cole, for best two year old Heifer, 2.00

To Jesse Howe, for second best do., 1.00

To Joshua Barrows, Jr., for best one year old Heifer, 1.50

To A. G. Cole, for second best do., 1.00

To Job Prince, for Bull Calf, 50

Your Committee would further state that A. S. Thayer, and Benjamin Richards, each presented a Bull Calf worthy of notice.

ISAAC STRICKLAND, Chairman.

ON PLOUGHING.

The Committee on Ploughing awarded.

To America Farrar, for best specimen of Ploughing, \$4.00

To John Hathaway, for second best do., 3.00

To Isaac Jordan, for third best do., 2.00

Dastine Spaulding, for fourth best do., 1.00

Your Committee also recommend the following gratuitities, viz:

To Melzer Buck, for Ploughing, 1.00

To America Farrar, for do., 1.00

To John Hathaway, for do., 1.50

To Alpheus Allen, for volunteer Ploughing, 1.00

ZURY ROBINSON, Chairman.

ON SHEEP AND SWINE.

The Committee on Sheep and Swine awarded.

To Noah Prince, for best Litter of Pigs, \$3.00

To same, for best Breeding Sow, 5.00

To same, for best Boar, 4.00

To Eliphalet Sturtevant, for second best do., 4.00

To John B. Stetson, for best one year old do., 2.00

To Zebulon Bearce, for best three year old Steers, 3.00

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To Jesse Howe, for second best do., 1.00

To Joshua Barrows, Jr., for best one year old Heifer, 1.50

To A. G. Cole, for second best do., 1.00

To Francis Carey, for best specimen of Coconos, \$4.00

THOMAS CHASE, Chairman.

ON LEATHER AND HARNESSES.

The Committee on Leather and Harnesses awarded.

To Mark P. Smith, for best Sole Leather, \$1.00

To Alexander Robinson for best Upper Leather, 1.00

To same for best Calfskins, 50

To same for best Harness Leather, 1.00

To Silas Shaw, for best Thick Boots, 50

To same for Thin Boots, 50

To Ferdinand Warren, for best Harness, 3.00

There was no competition in Sole Leather, Harness Leather or Harnesses.

NATHL SHAW, JOHN BLAKE, Committee.

ON MILK COWS.

The Committee on Milk Cows awarded.

To Larnard Swallow, for the best Milk Cow, \$2.00

Addison G. Cole, for second best cow, 2.00

NATHL PIKE, Chairman.

ON HORSES.

The Committee on Horses have to regret the want of interest manifested in stock horses. All are ready to admit that improvement of our breed of horses, in size, beauty of figure, color and docility is as much called for, not to say more, than that of any of our domestic animals. Great credit is due to America Farrar, of Buckfield, for his constant endeavors to supply the county with good stock horses. The only one entered, was the French Tiger, by Mr. Farrar. He has been owned in the county the last two years—is eight years old and a generous public are well paying the owner for his interest in procuring a good breed, by a liberal patronage.

Your Committee award Mr. Farrar the first premium, \$3.00

Mr. Farrar also presented a three years old colt, sired by the Independence, which has stood the last three seasons in the northern part of the county. The colt spoke well for his sire, well pointed, large limbs and joints, and promises well for future and mature years. Your Committee awarded the second premium to Mr. Farrar.

The interest in breeding mares, was very commendable. Four were present for the contest: one by Theismar Bearce of Hebron, one by Larnard Swallow of Buckfield, and one by Silas Maxim of Paris—all good mares, and spoke well for their several owners. The mare presented by Mr. Bearce, brought along with her four colts as witnesses of her character, which we considered as unimpeachable, and so awarded to him the first premium of \$2.00 and were conformed in our opinions of the good character of the French Tiger, a being told that her youngest colt was sired by him.

Your committee did not see the stock of the other mares, which was necessarily absent, but had no hesitation in awarding the 2nd premium of one dollar to Mr. Debern.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN TUCKER, Committee.

ON TOWN TREASURERS.

The Committee on Town Treasurers awarded.

To the town of Turner for best Town Treasurer, \$1.00

To the town of Buckfield for 2d best do., 50

To the town of Buckfield for 3d best do., 50

AUSTIN PARTRIDGE, per order.

ON WAGGONS AND SLEDGES.

The Committee on Waggon and Sledge awarded.

To Charles P. Kimball for best Waggon Sledge, \$1.00

To same for best Sledge a gratuity of 50

TIMOTHY LUTHER, Chairman.

ON POTATOES AND OTHER ROOTS.

The Committee on potatoes and other roots awarded.

To Zury Robinson for best crop of Potatoes, being 250 bushels per acre, \$2.00

To do. for second best do., 2.00

To do. for 3d best do., 2.00

ROBERT GRAY, Chairman.

67 We understand that the track layers on the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad, reported the "Junction" on Tuesday last. The timber and iron being now laid to that very important point, twenty-seven miles from Portland, the work of finishing up that distance, gratifying, we will be put forward rapidly, and we may look to see the passenger trains running to the "junction," and probably to Lewiston, by the end of this month.

The iron has also been laid for three or four miles beyond the junction, on the Lewiston road, and we believe it is expected that the six miles from the junction to Lewiston, will be opened simultaneously with the opening of the Atlantic road to the junction.

A PARTIAL BUSTLE. An English paper says the wife of a Cornish bankrupt was supposed to have concealed about her person money, or other property of value, belonging to her husband's estate. She was searched, a few days ago, and in her "bustle," which was unusually bulky, were found watches and jewelry of the value of £100.

LOUISIANA.

New Orleans gives 1091 majority for Taylor. Returns from other parishes indicate that the State has gone for Taylor.

TENNESSEE.

Bedford county gives a majority for Taylor. MICHIGAN.

Wayne county is reported 900 majority for Cass. It gave Polk but 692 majority! The State is conceded to Cass and Butler.

ILLINOIS.

Five counties give Taylor 880 majority. The latest dispatch states that this State has undoubtedly gone for Cass and Butler.

MAINE ELECTION.

The Age gives returns from 241 towns and 6 plantations, which include about seven-ninths of the vote of the State. They compare with the vote for Governor in September, when Dana received 10,223, Hamlin 30,331, Fessenden and all others received 12,349, and show a democratic gain 855, a federal gain 4,431, and a loss of 255 on the free soil vote. There are 134 towns and 66 plantations to be heard from. Cass has carried the State by a plurality of 8090 at least.

OXFORD COUNTY.

Pres. 4848. Gov. 1848.

Paris	281	72	35	304	62	67
Bedford	193	50	53	189	30	57
Brownfield	134	30	24	156	26	22
Canton	156	60	21	169	61	23
Dixfield	162	37	11	173	61	3
Fryeburg	144	38	11	139	77	42
Hebron	88	45	94	118	49	92
Hiram	46	78	14	48	80	19
Livermore	113	72	24	138	78	16
Lowell	69	123	74	74	118	79
Mexico	76	10	1	88	14	
Norway	114	123	161	136	118	102
Oxford	142	47	53	145	32	49
Peru	82	9	73	108	9	39
Porter	167	45	12	194	37	5
Rumford	140	83	23	135	25	13
Sumner	41	16	74	38	27	45
Turner	259	143	33	235	159	38
Waterford	114	48	61	132	61	62
Woodstock	90	3	35	131	3	21
Andover	25	53	16	58	61	9
Surplus	5	2		6	3	
Letter B.	24	1	1			
No. 5.	0					
Hamlin	24	16				
Hamlin's Grant 13						
2737	1435	997	2387	1327	751	

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

One hundred and seventeen towns make a democratic gain of over 1500, as compared with the March election for Governor, when the democratic majority was 3000.

MASSACHUSETTS.

No choice by the people. 297 towns give Cass 34,734, Taylor 59,541, Van Buren 39,067. Majority against Taylor 13,034.

VERMONT.

This state has undoubtedly gone for Taylor by a large plurality. In 51 towns Cass has 2379, Taylor 4112, Van Buren 3394.

RHODE ISLAND.

Returns from all but two towns. Taylor's majority 2568.

CONNECTICUT.

Taylor's plurality between 3 and 4000.

DELAWARE.

The entire vote of this state shows a majority of 533 for Taylor.

NEW JERSEY.

Taylor's majority 471—Clay's 53.

NEW YORK.

The Albany Atlas estimates that Gen. Taylor's plurality in the state will not be less than 100,000. In much the larger number of counties Cass came ahead of Van Buren.

Of the election in New York City, the Times says: "The Empire city has been swept as with a whirlwind by the hosts of Polk and Clay, and it may be said of the city, Van Buren has been free to its fate, has proved utterly true to its recently avowed principles, and as a general thing, has gone over to Taylor whiggy, body and soul. The margin Van Buren won by the result shows, is unquestionably large enough to fill a large wagon, and doubtless by present, the body of electors who have voted for Taylor, will develop this fact, we are confident, and this has whiggy carried in the Empire city the large majority, even obtained by a political party. To say that we mean over such a result is needless; but there is some gratification in being at last fairly rid of the remnants who have to be trod on. They have now gone fairly over to the enemy. Pretended democrats, they have voted with the federal party, and have been free sales, they have given their support to southern slaveholders, and all for a price."

PENNSYLVANIA.

Taylor's majority in thirty-one counties is 17,320. It will probably remain as high.

OHIO.

In seventeen counties the democratic gain is 2293. The state goes for Cass by 10,000 majority at least.

VIRGINIA.

The whig gains are very slight, and there is yet no reason to doubt her vote for Cass.

INDIANA.

Seven counties show a small democratic gain since 1844, when Polk's majority in the state was 2914.

did, superintendent of Indian affairs, passed through this city last night, having bought all the right of the Menominee Indians in the territory of Wisconsin, whereby the United States have acquired the title to 1,000,000 acres of new territory in Wisconsin, embracing land on the Fox and Wisconsin rivers. The land is very rich and valuable. [Chicago Democrat.]

Deputy Sheriff, & Coroner,
FOR OXFORD COUNTY.
J. S. BISHOP, MIDDLETOWN, Cumberland Co.
J. S. All communications to the undersigned should be
addressed to J. S. Bishop, Middletown, Md.

South Park, June 1895. W. S.

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